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### Good morning Leo,

We would like to suggest adding the following text to Task 2 of the EPA 106 grant: The Potomac River Drinking Water Source Protection Partnership (DWSPP) is composed of utilities and government agencies that have joined this partnership to discuss issues concerning safe drinking water, acquire information, and promote actions to protect source water. ICPRB provides staff support to DWSPP with funding from other sources but will use this grant for the specific purpose of supporting the maintenance of a database of water quality monitoring programs and to provide GIS based products that display water quality issues.

This would replace the existing sub-task 3 in FY16-17 Activities in Task 2. Your thoughts on this proposed change? Attached is the workplan with the revision.

Thanks,

#### Claire



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On Tue, Aug 25, 2015 at 9:17 AM, Essenthier, Leo < Essenthier. Leo@epa.gov > wrote:

Claire, just to clarify, with the interest in clean water/safe drinking water integration, EPA would like you to add language that indicates ICPRB's interest in protecting drinking water sources and indicate any goals in this area as well.

Thanks,

Leo

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Claire, EPA has one programmatic comment on the subject work plan.

Since ICPRB provides resources to support coordination of the Potomac Drinking Water Source Protection Partnership (DWSPP) activities, EPA suggests adding the following references to Task 1 & 2 of the subject workplan.

# Task 1: Coordination and Leadership

FY16-17 Activities:

1. Manage this grant, including implementation of QA/QC as required by ICPRB

## Quality Management Plan

- 2. Participate in and contribute to inter-agency water quality initiatives:
- EPA Region III Water Directors meetings and Chesapeake Bay Program (CBP) workgroups and goal implementation teams
- Interstate Council on Water Policy(ICWP) and Association of Clean Water Administrators (ACWA)
- Maryland Water Monitoring Council (MWMC), Association of Mid-Atlantic Aquatic Biologists (AMAAB)
- Anacostia Watershed Restoration Alliance, Anacostia Restoration Potential
   Workgroup, Anacostia Watershed Citizen's Advisory Council, and Anacostia Watershed
   Management Committee, Trash Free Potomac Watershed Initiative
- Adams County (PA) Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)
- Virginia James River Study Science Advisory Panel
- Potomac Drinking Water Source Protection Partnership
- Inter-agency and/or watershed-based groups focused on water quality problems

# Task 2: Integrating water quality and safe drinking water programs

## FY16-17 Activities:

1. Promote interest in the Potomac Basin-Wide Comprehensive Water Resources Plan

Communicate with representatives from each basin state to define the role of the basin-wide comprehensive plan in addressing interstate water quality issues (e.g. how the plan complements and builds on TMDL development and implementation and state and local water quality planning efforts).

- 2. Exercise ICPRB spill response procedures and coordinate with utilities and government agencies
- 3. Intern updates water quality data inventory and associated map
- 4. Support the Potomac Drinking Water Source Protection Partnership
- 5. Impervious cover study, Phase 2 (Phase 1 was completed in FY2015)

a. Conduct the analyses at the HUC12 scale, including re-classification of land uses, modeling, statistical analysis, and preparation of a journal article.

Assess influence of urban development and impervious surface cover on streamflow metrics at the HUC12 scale.

This completes EPA's administrative (previously submitted) and programmatic comments regarding the subject workplan. Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Leo

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